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For: METHOD FOR IMPROVING FERTILITY OF
HYBRID PLANTS COMPRISING PLACING
FERTILITY RESTORER GENES INTO
MULTIPLE GENE LOCI

Examiner: D.T. FOX

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF
CERTIFIED COPIES OF THE PRIORITY DOCUMENTS**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability mailed March 3, 2011, the Examiner acknowledged Applicants' claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119, but indicated that none of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

Applicants are herewith submitting a copy of the Notice of Acceptance of Application under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.495 mailed August 23, 2007, wherein the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office indicated that priority documents filed on March 22, 2007, had been received.

Further, Applicants are herewith submitting a copy of the Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document (PCT/IB/304) mailed September 4, 2004, by the

International Bureau, indicating receipt of the priority documents in the International Application PCT/JP2004/008025. The present U.S. patent application is the national stage of International Application PCT/JP2004/008025.

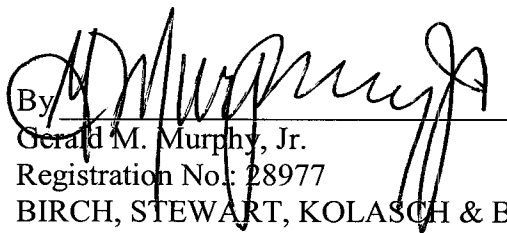
Accordingly, it is submitted that Applicants have complied with all of the rules and regulations for submission of priority documents.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the International Bureau and request additional copies of the priority documents through the Digital Access Service (DAS) for priority documents, if necessary.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge receipt of copies of the certified copies of the priority documents received in this national stage application from the International Bureau to ensure that the priority is properly made of record before the application issues as a patent.

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